

## **CGCU Report**

*A Note by James Fok, CGCU President*

### **Aero II**

I was notified of the high failure rate of the Aero 2<sup>nd</sup> Year on August 10<sup>th</sup> by the ICU DPEW – Ben Harris. I subsequently met with the Head of Department of Aeronautics that afternoon and ensured that the failed students will get a fair re-examination.

Most failed students returned to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Year after their SQTs. This matter is still on going and the newly elected Aero III Year Rep is in communication with the department along with other members of the Aero III and ICU DPEW.

### **Spanner, Guildsheet and Live!**

Spanner and Guildsheets have been well managed by the current Guildsheet Editor – Tristan Sherliker and similarly for Live! by the current Live! Editor – Ashley Brown.

The November edition was published late due to technical issues at the printing house – Stephens and George Print Group. And was further delayed after being impounded by the Returning Officer of the NUS Referendum.

### **Freshers' BBQ**

The most successful CGCU BBQ in the recent time selling 550 (300 hamburger, 200 hot dogs and 50 veggie burger) items at cost price of £1.25 inc. VAT.

After a preliminary accounting, profit in the region of £100 was made. – due for a 2<sup>nd</sup> accounting check and billing information from Imperial College London (Catering) is required.

### **Freshers' Ball**

This year's Freshers' Ball had mixed results. On the one hand the event had to be down sized from 300 to 180 diners. CGCU believe this was partly due to the increase of ticket price, a clash with Wilson House Boat cruise and most damaging was the ICU "Freshers' Ball" event held on Friday 8 days before the CGCU event. On the other hand, the Ball made a approx. £1000 profit (when including the subsidies from the Faculty), which will be used for future CGCU events.

### **Engineering Careers Fayre**

The Imperial College Careers Services took over the organization and running of the fayre this year without first consulting with the CGCU. The CGCU Exec had expressed considerable concern about

the take over and was particularly displeased that the Careers Services is keeping the profit of this event to subsidise other fayres.

After the a number of correspondences and a meeting with the Faculty and the Careers Service, the Careers Service had agreed to donate £1000 to the CGCU.

It is important to note that the Fayre was a success and the future of the fayre is currently being discussed.

### **CGCU/McKinsey Event**

The event was a very successful one in many ways. CGCU and McKinsey planned to have 16 people from the faculty and 4 consultants from McKinsey. We put in place a CV screening for selection and we received over 60 applications. This was a very time consuming task for me as I offered to screen the CV. Sixteen students were chosen based on merit shown on their CV. The event was held at the Business School and McKinsey offered to pay for the refreshment. All of the students were very grateful for the CGCU and McKinsey for holding the event and would like to see more of this type of event run by the union.

### **Bo' London to Brighton and Lord Mayors' Show**

Both of the traditional CGCU events were successes. Bo reached Brighton in one piece running from 7am till 4pm in good weather. The CGCU/Faculty/College Centenary entry to the Lord Mayor's Show had over 20 seconds on BBC1 live coverage. This event was kindly supported by the Faculty of Engineering and the College Centenary Board. Special thanks and recognition should go to the Bo' Driver – Simon Hamlin and the Lord Mayor's Show Co-ordinator – Ashley Brown.